

**PATENT** 

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 1639

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Huse and Freedman	) Confirmation No: 2981
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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003, entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.